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DETAILED ACTION

1. This office action is responsive to communication filed on July 28, 2009.

Response to Amendment

2. The amendment filed July 28, 2009 will not be entered because it raises new issues which would require further search and/or consideration. For instance, claim 1 has been amended to recite an image processing part and a storage unit provided outside said image processing part and connected to said image processing part by a bus, and further specifies that the compression unit outputs compressed image data to said storage unit and that said compression unit outputs said compressed image data directly to said storage unit via said bus. This amendment changes the scope of claim 1 and would thus require further search and/or consideration.

Conclusion

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